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Financial Assistance for Innocent Victims of Violent Crime

Kentucky Crime Victims Compensation Board



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Letter from the executive director

Going into the fourth year of budget shortfalls, the agency continues its commitment to assisting crime victims in the most compassionate, timely and comprehensive manner as possible. The court cost segment of our budget – monies received from court fines and fees, and one of our largest portions of revenue – has for the last five years fallen well below what has been paid out historically. This decrease continues to negatively impact the amount we qualify for and receive from the federal matching grant, the other significant portion of our revenue.

The two-and-a-half-year-old restitution/recovery program is working effectively, bringing in payments from offenders through credit cards, property liens, and intercepting tax refunds and prisoner accounts. And, through a shift in policy resulting from an OAG opinion, the Parole Board is back to ordering donations from offenders to the CVCB as a condition of parole, so donations are on the rise.

In an ongoing effort to reduce expenses, we are taking advantage of advancing technologies as much as possible and pushing toward paperless claims processing. Claims submission remains fairly consistent across the categories of crime, but payment of claims suffers longer and longer deferment because of shrinking resources.

Because the federal grant requires and provides payment for training, a number of the staff was able to attend the 2012 national conference, held in Atlanta, Georgia. In addition to information on national-level victim issues, topics included case management, deciding tough claims, sexual assault exam challenges, restitution and recovery, best practices, and grant administration. As well, I continued to serve as a NACVCB board member at the meetings held at the conference.

Earlier this year I met with the FBI and am scheduled to attend a training regarding preparation for early crisis response. The State Victim Assistance Academy, of which CVCB is a co-sponsor, held its first training—at which I presented, with approximately 50 novice advocates attending, at Barren River State Park.

My staff and I stand ready to meet all the challenges and take advantage of any opportunities that should arise in the coming year.

Respectfully,

Virginia Woodward



A brief agency history / description



The national Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) passed in 1984, and through the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) began disseminating the first assistance grants to the states in 1986. By then, Kentucky's Crime Victims Compensation Board (CVCB) was already more than a decade old. Established on June 19, 1976 (KRS 346), the CVCB was one of the country's first such entities with jurisdiction to assign relief for claims made by innocent victims of violent crime for payment or reimbursement of medical / dental expenses, mental health counseling, funeral expenses and loss of wages resulting directly from the crime.

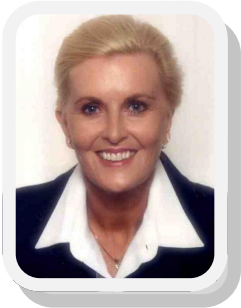
The Crime Victims Compensation Fund has been designated by the Legislature as the payer of last resort. In other words, the Board considers payment of expenses not covered by any other sources, including: medical, car or life insurance; social security benefits; Medicaid or Medicare; unemployment benefits or Worker's Compensation benefits; lawsuits and restitution.

Currently the cap for payments is an aggregate of \$25,000, with funeral expenses paid up to \$5000 and loss of wages reimbursed up to \$150 a week. Mental health counseling can be approved for up to two years of payment.

Revenue sources for payment of claims include a Kentucky general fund allocation (designated for sexual assault exams), a restricted fund that is replenished through court costs assessments statewide, and federal matching grants renewed on a yearly basis.

Restitution has previously been a very small part of replenishing the restricted fund, but a newly established Recovery Program and restitution officer provides promise for a more robust collection system in partnership and cooperation with other law enforcement agencies.

CVC Board Members



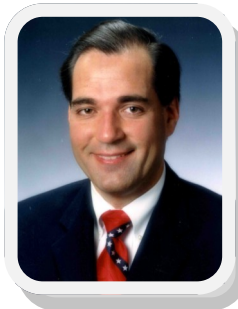
Jo Ann Phillips, chair, Louisville
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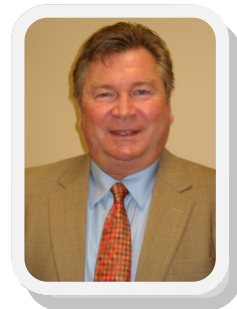
Suzanne Cassidy, Lexington
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Larry O'Bryan, Louisville
08/11/2011–07/01/2015



Michael Plummer, Fort Mitchell
08/19/2010–07/01/2014



James F. Sullivan, Frankfort
08/07/2008–07/01/2016

In the Voice of Victims...

"Without the help of Crime Victims I don't know what I would have done. But I just want you to know how grateful I am for your board and staff."

Fayette County Claimant

"I want to express my thanks for the help extended and the kindness, patience and consideration given during a stressful time."

Owen County Claimant

Accomplishments

- Executive Director Virginia Woodward continued serving as the first Kentucky member of the National Association of Crime Victims Compensation Boards.
- Continued to add information to the agency procedures binder.
- Two-and-a-half-year-old restitution/recovery program is working effectively, bringing in payments from offenders through credit cards, property liens, and intercepting tax refunds and prisoner accounts.
- Established and implemented new Subrogation and Recovery Retention Schedule for Library & Archives.
- Successfully passed SB 78, which included housekeeping measures and enables eligible victim family members to apply for lost wages, and other eligible family members and victims themselves to apply for loss of support. Additionally, it stops collection activities (late fees and interest) on claimants with an active investigation at the CVCB.
- Increased federal grant amount by establishing the Restitution / Recovery Officer hours as an offset from what is required for the match.

CVCB Staff

Jennifer Barrie, restitution officer

02/01/09—present

Leslie Bishop, investigator

09/01/12—present

Patti Bright, investigator

09/16/08—07/26/12

Lindsay Crawford, policy advisor

5/01/09— present

Martin Green, investigator

11/16/04—present

Larry Hembree, internal policy analyst

12/16/08— present

Beth Hicks, clerk,

12/16/08—08/30/12

Virginia Woodward, executive director

5/01/09—present

Mitchell Mattingly, counsel

08/01/00—present

Janet Meyer, admin spec, (temp)

02/01/10—present

Raymond Shields, clerk

10/08/2012—06/15/13 (temp)

06/16/13 -present

Stephanie Vandever, investigator

08/01/1999—present

Kay Young, sexual assault program coordinator (temp)

02/15/09—10/11/12

Sarah Young, sexual assault program coordinator (temp)

09/16/2012—present

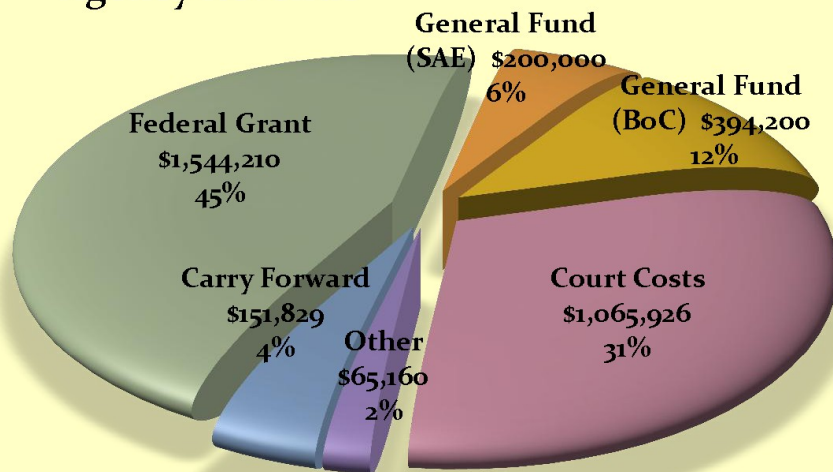
CVCB Snapshot

Claims received:	1078 (CV—350; Sexual Assault Exams—728)
Claims accepted:	1014 (CV—281; Sexual Assault Exams—733)
Claims assigned to Board members:	461 (CV only)
Claims assigned to investigators:	457 (CV only)
Claims awarded:	1082 (CV—166; Sexual Assault Exams—916)
Claims denied:	142 (CV—108; Sexual Assault Exams—34)

Accomplishments

- Hired and trained replacements for three vacated positions: CVCB clerk, CVCB investigator, and sexual assault exam program coordinator.
- Initiated first steps of moving toward a paperless system as a cost savings and efficiency measure.
- After a two-year collaborative effort, the state-wide victim assistance academy held its first training (at Barren River State Park), at which the CVCB executive director presented and approximately 50 novice advocates participated.
- Staff attended national training in Atlanta, Georgia.
- Worked with the Administrative Office of the Courts to obtain CVCB access to CourtNet, to facilitate timely claim investigation and offender monitoring for restitution/recovery.
- Installed new security system for public access to offices.
- Instituted more efficient archiving process by preparing files as cases are closed instead of waiting until the end of the year for annual archiving.
- Worked with state FBI and victim assistance professionals concerning ACTIVE SHOOTER training in regards to mass shootings.

Agency Revenue



IMPORTANT NOTES:

*Agency means both CVCB and the Board of Claims.

***Federal Grant amount** is reflective of three four-year reoccurring federal grants. This amount is to be spent over a number of fiscal years. In FY 2013, the amount spent from this source was \$843,160.35.

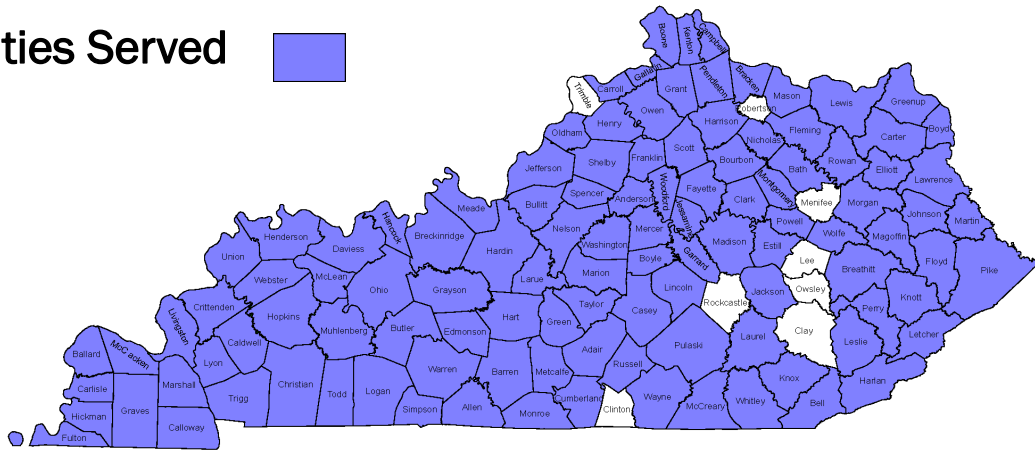
*The "Other" category in Revenue Sources includes restitution, subrogation, refunds, donations and miscellaneous.

*The "Carry Forward" includes only restricted funds ("Court Costs" and the "Other") that are left over from the previous FY.

Agency Expenditures



Counties Served



County	Award Amount	Claims Received
Adair	\$538.00	2
Allen	\$9,512.72	1
Anderson	\$5,650.00	2
Ballard	\$350.00	5
Barren	\$2,057.48	17
Bath	\$350.00	0
Bell	\$2,065.76	1
Boone	\$11,556.90	31
Bourbon	\$400.00	1
Boyd	\$2,090.00	11
Boyle	\$28,195.00	6
Bracken	\$0	1
Breathitt	\$5,000.00	0
Breckinridge	\$25,975.48	1
Bullitt	\$10,125.86	10
Butler	\$900.00	6
Caldwell	\$788.00	1
Calloway	\$29,817.05	8
Campbell	\$10,232.11	31
Carlisle	\$0	1
Carroll	\$1,123.00	1
Carter	\$339.91	1
Casey	\$650.00	4
Christian	\$22,692.16	17
Clark	\$3,243.10	8
Clay	\$0	0

County	Award Amount	Claims Received
Clinton	\$0	0
Crittenden	\$0	2
Cumberland	\$2,664.44	2
Daviess	\$6,993.62	26
Edmonson	\$0	2
Elliott	\$0	1
Estill	\$7,781.11	2
Fayette	\$137,252.41	106
Fleming	\$488.05	1
Floyd	\$6,126.88	2
Franklin	\$11,154.40	8
Fulton	\$0	0
Gallatin	\$450.00	3
Garrard	\$538.00	0
Grant	\$1,956.78	3
Graves	\$4,360.00	8
Grayson	\$1,105.07	0
Green	\$538.00	2
Greenup	\$13,202.78	1
Hancock	\$0	2
Hardin	\$10,195.87	18
Harlan	\$5,851.00	2
Harrison	\$3,292.76	3
Hart	\$2,652.95	5
Henderson	\$2,274.00	8
Henry	\$2,778.80	0

County	Award Amount	Claims Received
Hickman	\$0	1
Hopkins	\$7,951.70	10
Jackson	\$0	1
Jefferson	\$318,209.43	277
Jessamine	\$33,536.10	12
Johnson	\$0	5
Kenton	\$65,937.29	54
Knott	\$3,823.00	2
Knox	\$35,589.40	7
Larue	\$0	2
Laurel	\$12,601.11	10
Lawrence	\$450.00	2
Lee	\$0	0
Leslie	\$650.00	3
Letcher	\$450.00	2
Lewis	\$255.00	1
Lincoln	\$450.00	4
Livingston	\$1,676.00	2
Logan	\$2,271.00	4
Lyon	\$0	1
Madison	\$10,409.40	18
Magoffin	\$450.00	1
Marion	\$0	4
Marshall	\$3,923.00	10
Martin	\$0	1
Mason	\$1,438.00	1
McCracken	\$34,879.34	27
McCreary	\$1,076.00	5
McLean	\$12,782.25	0
Meade	\$450.00	0
Menifee	\$0	0
Mercer	\$2,780.00	2
Metcalfe	\$988.00	2
Monroe	\$5,000.00	1
Montgomery	\$7,256.74	2

County	Award Amount	Claims Received
Morgan	\$265.04	2
Muhlenberg	\$2,314.00	5
Nelson	\$3,088.00	10
Nicholas	\$350.00	1
Ohio	\$27,438.81	10
Oldham	\$1,388.00	3
Owen	\$2,736.00	3
Owsley	\$0	0
Pendleton	\$16,406.79	3
Perry	\$21,668.39	2
Pike	\$2,152.00	13
Powell	\$0	2
Pulaski	\$3,690.00	16
Robertson	\$0	0
Rockcastle	\$0	0
Rowan	\$0	1
Russell	\$2,409.90	9
Scott	\$1,388.00	12
Shelby	\$20,274.63	2
Simpson	\$4,057.19	9
Spencer	\$538.00	3
Taylor	\$1,526.00	5
Todd	\$1,038.00	1
Trigg	\$2,230.19	3
Trimble	\$0	0
Union	\$3,453.00	4
Warren	\$59,371.84	39
Washington	\$3,619.73	0
Wayne	\$1,966.00	2
Webster	\$356.00	1
Whitley	\$24,702.01	9
Wolfe	\$254.50	0
Woodford	\$547.12	4
Out of State	\$184.05	1

*NOTE: If for any county a "0" appears in one column while a number appears in the other, the following may apply: in the case of SAEs, a crime occurs in one county but the service provider is in another; a claim may have been filed in one FY, but paid in another; a claim may have been filed, but denied. This data includes both crime victims compensation and sexual assault exams.



In loving memory of

Patti Bright

CVCB Claims Investigator

September 2008-July 2012

"It's all about the victims!"



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